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REP. WILLIAMS, 68th Dist.

To: Senate Bill No. 702

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(As Amended)

## "AN ACT CONCERNING JOBS FOR THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY."

Strike subsection (f) of section 8 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"(f) The Business Advocate shall (1) serve as an information clearinghouse for various public and private programs available to assist businesses, (2) identify and collect information concerning the impact on jobs in the state of such programs, and provide such information to the Office of Fiscal Analysis for purposes of the economic impact statements required pursuant to section 2-24 of the general statutes, as amended by section 501 of this act, and (3) identify specific micro businesses, as defined in section 32-344 of the general statutes, as amended by this act, whose growth and success could benefit from state or private assistance and contact such small businesses in order to (A) identify their needs, (B) provide information about public and private programs for meeting such needs, including,

15 but not limited to, technical assistance, job training and financial

- assistance, and (C) arrange for the provision of such assistance to such
- 17 businesses."
- 18 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 19 internal references accordingly:
- "Sec. 501. Section 2-24 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):
- 22 (a) The words "State of Connecticut" shall be printed at the head of 23 each bill and document printed by order of the General Assembly, or 24 either house thereof, and on its title page or cover, if any. Before 25 printed or photographic copies of an original bill are made, the bill 26 shall be endorsed with (1) the date of its introduction; (2) its number; 27 (3) the name of the member or committee introducing it; and (4) the 28 name of the committee to which it was referred. Copies of bills or 29 resolutions printed after favorable report by a committee or reprinted 30 after amendment on the third reading, i.e., files, shall bear the file 31 number of such bill or resolution, placed conspicuously at the head of 32 the same, which file number shall be assigned by the printer in the 33 order printed, the number and title of the bill, the name of the 34 committee to which it was referred, the date and nature of the 35 committee's report, and, in any case where the bill, if passed, would 36 require the expenditure of state or municipal funds or affect state or 37 municipal revenue, a fiscal note, including an estimate of the cost or of 38 the revenue impact, and an economic impact statement, including an 39 estimate of the cost, to the bill shall be appended thereto. When a bill or 40 resolution is accompanied with a report of a committee, other than a 41 recommendation that it ought or ought not to pass, it shall then have 42 an additional endorsement, as follows: "Accompanied by special 43 report, No.-". Bills shall be designated in the printed calendar of each 44 house by their file numbers, as well as by the titles and numbers of the 45 bills.
- 46 (b) The economic impact statement required under subsection (a) of

47 this section shall contain: (1) An estimate of the proposed change in

- 48 income and employment in the state; (2) the effects of the proposal on
- 49 existing business or industrial entities; (3) an estimate of the total
- 50 employment and income resulting from a business if the proposal is
- 51 <u>intended to induce a new business or industry to locate in the state;</u>
- 52 and (4) a brief statement of assumptions and data sources used to
- 53 prepare the estimates or the reasons if no specific estimates are
- 54 possible.
- Sec. 502. Section 2-24a of the 2006 supplement to the general statutes
- 56 is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective
- 57 *October 1, 2006*):
- 58 (a) No bill without a fiscal note appended thereto which, if passed,
- 59 would require the expenditure of state or municipal funds or affect
- state or municipal revenue in the current fiscal year or any of the next
- ensuing five fiscal years shall be acted upon by either house of the
- 62 General Assembly unless said requirement of a fiscal note is dispensed
- 63 with by a vote of at least two-thirds of such house. Such fiscal note
- shall clearly identify the cost and revenue impact to the state and
- 65 municipalities in the current fiscal year and in each of the next ensuing
- 66 five fiscal years.
- (b) No bill without an economic impact statement appended to it
- 68 which, if passed, would impose a cost on businesses that have operations
- 69 in this state shall be acted upon by either house of the General Assembly
- 70 unless the requirement of an economic impact statement is dispensed
- 71 with by a vote of at least two-thirds of such house.
- 72 Sec. 503. Subsection (c) of section 2-71c of the 2006 supplement to
- 73 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 74 thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):
- 75 (c) The legislative Office of Fiscal Analysis shall assist the General
- 76 Assembly and the Legislative Department, legislative commissions
- 77 and legislative committees in a research and advisory capacity as
- 78 follows: (1) Reviewing department and program operating budget

requests; (2) analyzing and helping to establish priorities with regard to capital programs; (3) checking executive revenue estimates for accuracy; (4) recommending potential untapped sources of revenue; (5) assisting in legislative hearings and helping to schedule and prepare the agenda of such hearings; (6) assisting in the development of means by which budgeted programs can be periodically reviewed; (7) preparing short analyses of the costs and long-range projections of executive programs and proposed agency regulations; (8) keeping track of federal aid programs to make sure that Connecticut is taking full advantage of opportunities for assistance; (9) reviewing, on a continuous basis, departmental budgets and programs; (10) analyzing and preparing critiques of the Governor's proposed budget; (11) studying, in depth, selected executive programs during the interim; (12) performing such other services in the field of finance as may be requested by the Joint Committee on Legislative Management; (13) preparing the fiscal notes, required under section 2-24, as amended by this act, upon favorably reported bills which require expenditure of state or municipal funds or affect state or municipal revenue; (14) preparing at the end of each fiscal year a compilation of all fiscal notes on legislation and agency regulations taking effect in the next fiscal year, including the total costs, savings and revenue effects estimated in such notes; [and] (15) every second and fourth year after the effective date of each enacted bill, review the fiscal note of such bill to compare it to the fiscal note prepared at the time such bill was enacted; and (16) preparing the economic impact statement required under section 2-24, as amended by this act, upon favorably reported bills which would impose a cost on businesses that have operations in this state. The governing body of any municipality, if requested, shall provide the Office of Fiscal Analysis, within two working days, with any information that may be necessary for analysis in preparation of such fiscal notes. Each officer, board, commission or department of the state government shall assist the Office of Fiscal Analysis in carrying out its duties and, if requested, shall make its records and accounts available to the office in a timely manner, except that where there are statutory requirements of confidentiality with regard to such records and accounts, the identity

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of any person to whom such records or accounts relate shall not be disclosed.

116 Sec. 504. Section 2-26 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

At each regular or special session of the General Assembly no bill shall be passed or become a law unless it has been printed in its final form, as prescribed by section 2-24, as amended by this act, with the exception of germane amendments, and upon the desks of the members at least two legislative days prior to its final passage, unless the president pro tempore of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Representatives have certified, in writing, the facts which in their opinion necessitate an immediate vote on such bill, in which case it shall nevertheless be upon the desks of the members in final form, accompanied by the fiscal note and economic impact statement required by section 2-24, as amended by this act, when applicable, with the exception of germane amendments, but not necessarily printed, before its final passage."